

THREE ARE FINED FOR BURNING MAN

Assaults of Harry Walters Are Assessed Following Hearing in Rock Island Police Court.

VICTIM IS SLEEPING AT TIME

Testimony Shows That Joke Is Perpetrated to Awaken Lounger in Moline Saloon.

Three of the four men arrested by police of Rock Island and Moline were fined in Rock Island police court today for an atrocious assault on Harry Walters in the saloon of A. Roeland, 256 Third avenue, Moline, Feb. 15.

John W. Sweeney, who conducts a rooming house at 227½ Seventeenth street, Rock Island, was assessed a fine of \$25 and costs. His brother, Dan Sweeney, was taken to the county jail in default of a fine of \$100 and costs. William Renstrom, bartender in the Roeland saloon, paid \$25 and costs. Roeland, proprietor of the bar, it developed, was not present when the assault took place.

From the evidence presented in the case it appears Walters was sleeping in the saloon shortly before 11 o'clock at night, which is closing time in Moline. It was stated efforts were made to awaken Walters by shaking him, but that these attempts proved futile.

Testimony showed that Dan Sweeney poured wool alcohol on Walters' leg and around the floor and that a match was touched to the fluid. Walters awakened.

Following the hearing of the three men, John Sweeney swore out a warrant charging Walters with assault. Sweeney accused Walters of having drawn a knife on him several days later in the same saloon. Walters declared Sweeney and his brother attacked him first and that he warned them away by flashing the knife. Magistrate Smith dismissed the case, saying:

Punished Enough.

"This young man has been punished enough. He probably never will recover from the burns on his leg. He will be in pain for the rest of his life. During severe cold spells in winter and extreme heat in summer the pain will be increased. Although he admits he had the knife in his hand, I am going to dismiss the case because he will be punished enough."

Authorities said that Walters' leg was in a bad condition. He failed to get medical attention soon enough and because of this it is doubtful if he will ever again be able to use the limb.

An Unarmed Assist.

"One day while I was catching for the Dallas (Tex.) team," said Claude Berry recently, "a runner on first started to steal second. I pegged toward the base, but our pitcher—Walker—had moved out of the box after he delivered the ball and walked right into the throw."

NEWS NOTES from MOVIELAND

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Pauline Frederick recently completed work on Mary Johnston's famous play, "Audrey," which will be released the last of this month. "Audrey" is a far more pastoral character than anything Miss Frederick had ever done previously on the screen, and required especially beautiful settings in order to give it the greatest effectiveness. As Miss Frederick is becoming better known to the hosts of moving picture fans, her popularity increases accordingly. She is one of the best drawing cards on the Paramount program.

Not Born With Gold Spoon in her Mouth.

The house in which Mary Pickford was born has been traced down and photographed for publication. This is an honor which comes ordinarily only to the most famous, and then usually it is only after they are dead. The house in which Mary was born 22 years ago is on University avenue, Toronto.

Another house in which she lived with her mother and her sister for a while when a little girl is more interesting. It's a single story frame house with a door, two windows and a broken picket fence in front. It looks about large enough to contain two rooms, with maybe a woodshed in back where it doesn't show in the picture. This house is located at 81 Walton street, Toronto.

Uses Her Art to Provoke Laughs.

Mabel Normand has upset an old theory and given the sighing type of lover a real jolt. She is proving in the movies that it's just as easy to laugh at a pretty woman as it is to sigh for her. Mabel is pretty, there is no doubt about that. And instead of using her beauty to bring tears she injects it into her film work to bring real laughs. Miss Normand is also proving that comedians on the screen are very, very serious people when they're not posing for a screamer. She confesses that when she is not posing for ludicrous antics of Keystone Mabel she is watching pictures and rubbing elbows with the ordinary movie fans. This business of being funny, she thinks, is after

er—had moved out of the box after he delivered the ball and walked right into the throw.

"The ball hit Walker on top of the head, and as Walker dropped to the ground the ball bounded high in the air. The runner had reached second by that time and, not seeing the ball in play, raced for third. But out shortstop saw the ball, caught it as it came down and whipped it to third in time to put the runner out."

The official scorer credited three



Pauline Frederick.

She will appear soon in the picture of Mary Johnston's famous novel, "Audrey." Before taking up moving pictures, Miss Frederick was one of the most popular actresses on the American stage.

all a serious affair. And, think the producers who pay her, it's also an expensive one.

On both running boards of Theda Bara's new limousine there are little single seats with foot braces built like stirrups. The seats are used to hold two little Moorish boy footmen, who are turbaned and burnished until they shine like new Lincoln pennies. The stirrups are for them to dig their toes in when William Fox's vampire woman feels like letting the car out for a burst of speed.

men with an assist. He gave me an assist because I had made the original throw, he gave one to the pitcher because his head had deflected the ball to the shortstop, and, of course, he gave one to the shortstop for making the throw to third."—Exchange.

Rubber Taping.

To preserve rubber tubing when not in use, coil it neatly in vessels of water carrying a small quantity of common salt in solution.

DAVENPORT BALKS AT DEBATE PLANS

Schools Teams From Iowa City and Moline Fail to Agree for First Time in History.

PROMISED CLASH IS ABANDONED

Rock Island, However, Will Send Teams Against Contestants From Both of Towns.

For the first time in the history of tri-city high school debating, Davenport and Moline will not agree to come together and both of the Rock Island teams will debate the opposing team from both of these cities. Rock Island's negative team will meet Davenport tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 on the former's home floor and at the same time its affirmative will meet the locals in Davenport. In the evening Rock Island's affirmative will clash with Moline on the home floor of the former and the negative team from Rock Island will meet the affirmative team of Moline at Moline. Thus, Moline and Davenport will not clash at all and the home teams will each have two debates.

The reason for this arrangement lies in a fierce squabble between the Davenport and Moline authorities over the teams with which they should clash. At the beginning of the season it was understood that Rock Island would send a negative team to Davenport, Davenport a negative team to Moline and Moline a negative team to Rock Island. In February, however, Davenport brought up the question of the constitutionality of this proceeding and quoted from the constitution of the Knox Interscholastic league as follows:

"In 1909-10 the school standing first in alphabetical order shall send an affirmative team to the school standing second . . . and the school standing second shall send an affirmative team to the school standing third and this third school shall send an affirmative team to the school standing first."

The constitution then provides a different system for the year 1910-11 and states that, in the years hereafter, the method of these two years shall alternate, so that this year, 1915-16, would follow the system of 1909-10.

When this matter was brought up, however, Moline stood pat and declared that it would not send any other than an affirmative team to compete with Davenport. This elicited a like declaration from Davenport and thus opened the whole situation once more, with the result that it was not known positively until today just what remedy would be found for the matter. The compromise plan, brought up by Rock Island, was then adopted.

The question for debate tomorrow is: "Resolved, that the present army and navy program of the United States is inadequate to meet the needs of the nation."

Students as Audiences.

Two of the four debates which will be held tomorrow will be in the afternoon at 1:30 before the assembled students of the Rock Island and Davenport schools respectively. The two debates with Moline will be held at 8 o'clock in the evening at those respective schools.

Davenport's affirmative team, consisting of Walter Levery, Earl Chatfield and Sumner Holbrook, will clash with the Rock Island team, consisting of Verner Hallgren, Lewis Saulpaugh and Robert Olmsted, at 1:30 tomorrow on the Rock Island floor. Rock Island's affirmative team, consisting of Uri Metcalf, George Adams and Edgar James, will meet Davenport's negative, consisting of Joe Blanchard, Alfred Volkert and Sterling Richart, at 1:30 on the Davenport high school floor.

Rock Island's affirmative will meet Moline's negative team, consisting of James Monroe, Ruth Baumgartner and Harold Wood, on the Rock Island floor, and Rock Island's negative team will meet the Moline affirmative, consisting of Carl Fryxell, Frank Welch and Dan McNeal, on the Moline floor. The Moline affirmative team has been so unfortunate as to lose its captain and star man, Edmund Stoff, who is at present ill with typhoid fever. Stoff is the only Moline man with any extended experience on the platform and will be greatly missed. Carl Fryxell, the alternate, is taking his place.

Winners in Other Competitions.

The winner of the debates in this district will next debate with the winner of the Freeport-Clinton debate of district VI and, if victorious in this encounter, will debate the winner of the semi-finals between districts II and III, and also the winner of the semi-finals between districts IV, V and VII, this last debate to take the form of a triangular clash.

SASH AND DOOR MEN HAVE PICNIC AT GYM

The indoor shop picnic for the employees of the Rock Island Sash and Door works was held at the Y. M. C. A. building last night. Many of the men from this factory were present to participate in the games or to root for the teams representing their respective department. The baseball game between the door department and the sash department was called at the end of the fifth inning on account of darkness with the score 23 to 8 in favor of the door department. A strenuous hockey game between the factory and the warehouse resulted in the score of 11 to 5 in favor of the former. Joe Poma and Slim Ferguson put on a half mile race which was neck and neck up to the finish. Poma won this event by less than a yard. The fat men potato race was captured by Harry Fisher. Following these events in the gymnasium the crowd invaded the cafeteria and there completely demolished heaps of sandwiches and doughnuts and consumed gallons of coffee.

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TONIGHT IN THE MOVIES.

Spencer Square—Mary Boland in "The Price of Happiness" and Pathe Photo News.

Majestic—Wilfred Lucas and Bessie Love in "Acquitted" and Fatty Arbuckle and Mabel Normand in "He Did and He Didn't."

Black Hawk—"The Wanderers" and "His Wife Knew About It." American—"The Sphinx," (five parts.)

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COLUMBIA.

Vaudeville (Davenport). Two performances daily, at 2:45 and 8:15. Three Saturday and Sunday, at 2:45, 7:30 and 9 o'clock.

AT THE ILLINOIS.

Thaddeus Stevens, who is represented in "The Birth of a Nation," which will be seen here on a return engagement at the Illinois theatre for four days with two performances daily, starting next Sunday, as Addison Stoneman, is one of the strong characters of the play. He is the man who believes in social equality between the whites and blacks and desires his friend, the mulatto lieutenant governor of South Carolina, to have a white wife until he makes the discovery that it is his own daughter whom the mulatto wishes to marry. Stevens believed in the establishing of a black empire in the south, governor exclusively by colored people. He inculcated this idea into the minds of the colored race immediately following their being given their freedom, and this no doubt was one of the reasons why the white carpetbaggers from the north were able to play upon the credulity of the blacks and encourage them to commit many of the acts they did during the period of reconstruction. Stevens was a peculiar character. In the latter years of his life, his intimate associates were mostly of the colored race. He fraternized with them as if he were of their own color. As chairman of the ways and means committee of the lower house of congress, Stevens was all powerful and the colored race looked to him to lead them into the "promised land." Little is known of Stevens' parentage. It is generally believed that he was the illegitimate son of Talleyrand, the great French diplomat and at one time Napoleon's minister of state. After the downfall of the first council, following his defeat at Waterloo and his exile by England to St. Helena, Talleyrand came to America, remaining here some few years and most of that time was spent in eastern Pennsylvania, where Stevens was born. Stevens had many of the characteristics of the illustrious statesman and history has it at Lancaster, Pa., where Stevens lived and died, that he was in fact the son of the French statesman. At Stevens' request, set forth in his will, he was buried beside the mulatto woman who had been his housekeeper for several years during his residence in Washington, as a member of congress.

AT SPENCER SQUARE.

Almost all of us at times have to fight down the spirit of covetousness when we see our former friends rolling in apparently undesired luxury. The bitter experience and disillusionment of a woman impelled by envy of her friends, are dramatically depicted in the new Equitable feature, "The Price of Happiness," in which Mary Boland will appear as the star at the Spencer Square tonight.

AT THE MAJESTIC.

In the latest Triangle-Keystone release, "He Did and He Didn't," to be seen at the Majestic today and tomorrow, Roscoe Arbuckle, Mabel Normand, William Jefferson and Al St. John are happily associated in an exciting and amusing comedy drama. Roscoe Arbuckle as the well-to-do physician and husband of Mabel Normand is given a chance to display his ability as an actor in straight parts. Miss Normand's talents as a comedienne are again brought forth in an entirely different atmosphere, and she carries the tragedy scenes of the play

with the dignity and finish of a Bernhardt. William Jefferson is cast as the old schoolmate of the wife. This is his first appearance as a comedian under the Keystone banner, and the way he handles revolvers, burglars, falls, etc., would lead one to believe that he had received several years' schooling in the famous temple of comedy. Al St. John, the bounding boy with the company, is seen as a burglar and creates howls of laughter as he is seen skating down the banister of a stairway, whirling madly around on an electric chandelier or leaping and diving over and under every obstacle he meets in the way of furniture, pianos, windows and even a seven-drawer buffet cupboard.

NO CHANGE MADE IN DUTIES OF CORONER

Some time ago Coroner R. C. J. Meyer wrote the state board of health relative to one section of the new health laws which in his estimation tended to conflict as to the jurisdiction of the registrar (city health physician) and the coroner. Coroner Meyer has received the following answer from Springfield:

"I have before me your communication relative to sudden deaths, coroner's jurisdiction, etc., and in reply beg to state that Section 8 of the new law provides that the registrar and coroner have reason to believe that death may have been due to some cause which under the law is subject to investigation by the coroner, the death shall then be referred to the coroner or other proper officer for his investigation and certification. This brings the matter before the coroner. The new law makes no change in this part of the procedure, but the coroner is not permitted a fee, (formerly 25 cents) under the new law for making of a death certificate, and this is practically the only change the new law makes. I cannot see where the new law in any way limits or changes the work of the coroner."

"C. ST. CLAIR DRAKE, M. D., Secretary Illinois Board of Health."

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EARL HENDERSON IN WIN OVER M'INTYRE

(Special to The Argus.)

Pawhuska, Okla., March 15.—Earl Henderson of Rock Island handed Wade McIntyre, local welterweight, a terrific beating in three rounds here last night, the referee being forced to stop the fight. The bout was scheduled to go 10 rounds. McIntyre is considered one of the best men in his class in Oklahoma. Henderson went after him at the sound of the gong and Wade never had a chance.

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More and more, people are coming to know that the coffee and tea habits are responsible for a large percentage of those nervous disorders classed under the head of "neurasthenia," or nervous prostration.

Both coffee and tea contain the drug, caffeine, a powerful irritant of the ably upon the intestinal walls. Headache, "nerves," insomnia, biliousness—nerves. They also contain tannin—an astringent—which acts most unfavorably these are some of the signs of caffeine poisoning.

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